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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Shimkets et al.
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/023,634 EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned
FILING DATE: December 17, 2001 ART UNIT: 1645
FOR: PROTEINS, POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING THEM AND METHODS OF USING THE SAME

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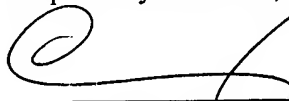
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Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the January 31, 2002 Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before June 30, 2002.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, our Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 21402-221 (Cura 521)). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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